



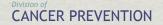


#### **EDRN PUBLIC PORTAL**

AND EDRN KNOWLEDGE ENVIRONMENT

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## Portal: what is it good for?

- \* Public and private face of EDRN
- \* First hit from Google
- \* Shows how taxpayer dollars are spent
- \* Encourages more sites to join in the revolution

## Content management system

- \* Plone
  - \* #1 open-source CMS
  - \* Agile application server
  - \* Agile programming language
- \* Shockingly secure
- \* Search-engine friendly



## Flexibility

- \* Contributors
  - \* Who can create content
- **\*** Editors
  - \* Who can review and approve content
- \* Through the web
  - \* No HTML knowledge required

# Domain specific

\* Content tailored to EDRN's needs



THE ONTOLOGY

WHAT'S THE RELATIONSHIP?

- \* A content management system's job is to ... manage content
- \* Various types of content
  - \* Web pages
  - \* Images
  - \* News items and events

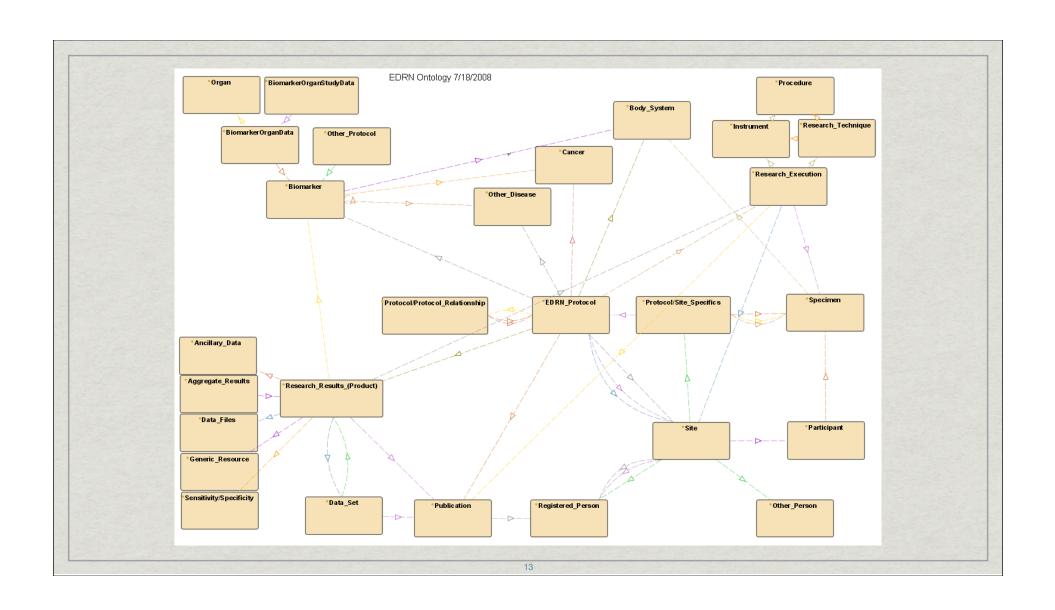
- \* Workflow
  - \* State changes of content
  - \* Created → submitted for review → Reviewed by editor → Approved for publication → Published
    - \* → Retracted → Corrected → Re-approved → ...

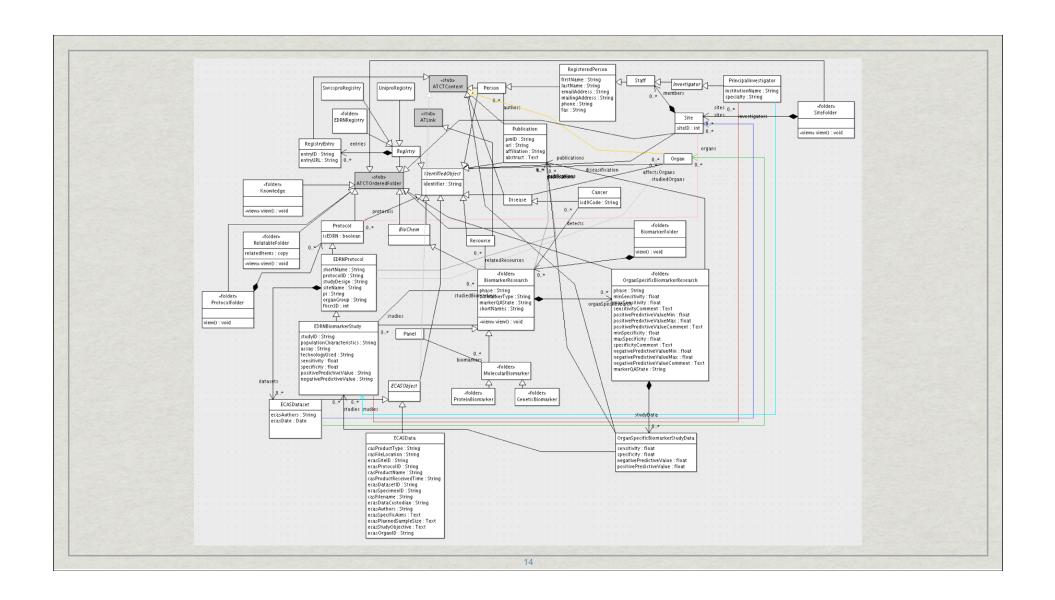
- \* Expand the definition of content
  - \* Studies, biomarkers, sites, specimens, publications, investigators
- \* Expand the definition of workflow
  - \* Collected → centrifuged → separated → alliquoted → frozen → ...
  - \* Proposed → IRB-approved → funded → ...
  - \* Phase  $1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 5$

- \* New web application
  - \* Integrated with the portal
  - \* Searchable
  - \* Interlinked
  - \* Secure and robust

## Portal + Ontology = Joy

- \* Direct mapping
  - \* For the most part
- \* A class in the ontology = a content type in the portal





## Synchronization

- \* Models are out of sync
  - \* One is ideal
  - \* Other is practical
    - \* Implementation-constrained

#### RDF

- \* A "language" for describing resources
  - \* Where a resource = anything
  - \* Where anything = has a URI
  - \* Where URI = Uniform Resource Identifier

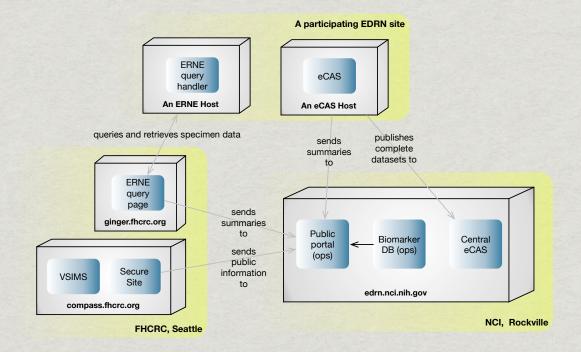
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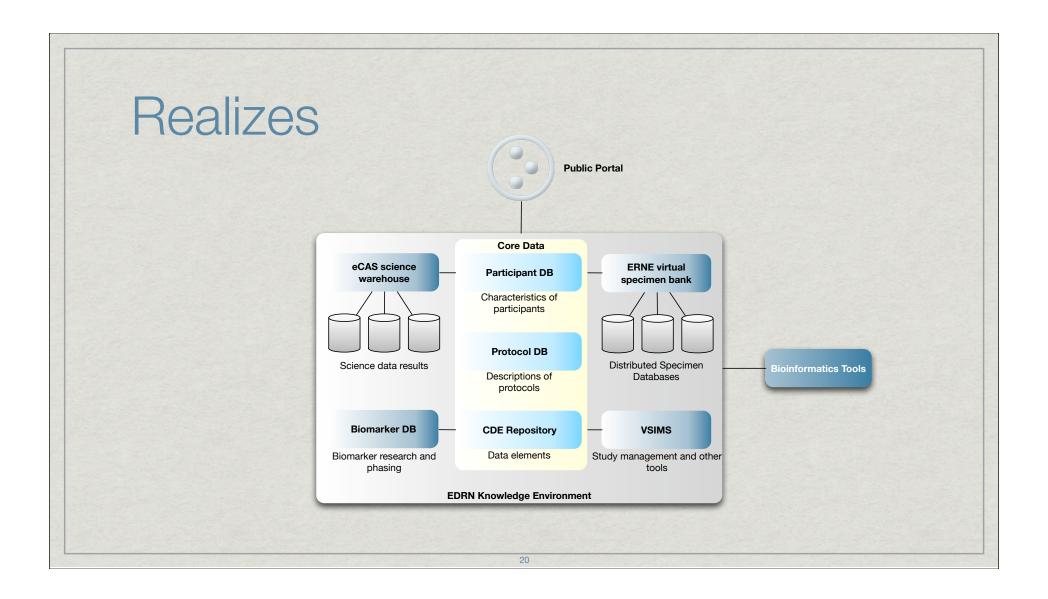
- \* URLs are a kind of URI:
  - \* http://google.com/
- \* URNs are another kind of URI:
  - \* urn:isbn:817525766-0
  - # urn:ssn:419-55-6113 (Dan Crichton's)

## Send all EDRN knowledge

- \* To the public portal
- \* Via RDF
  - \* Biomarker database, VSIMS, ERNE
  - \* eCAS, eSIS, old scarab issue tracker, ASP pages
  - \* Any other SQL Server tables you find
  - \* Post-It™ notes, doodles on napkins ...

## Ingest data via RDF









#### **NEXT STEPS**

WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

- \* Deployment
  - \* Where will the portal finally live?
  - \* NCI? JPL?
    - \* Old Linux PC in my closet?

- \* Model synchronization
  - \* What working group must I join?
  - \* Can Protégé provide "views"?

- **\*** Plone 3 (We're on 2.5)
  - \* Exactly one year old yesterday
  - \* Released 2007-August-21
  - \* Just released: 3.2β2
- \* Major architectural changes
  - \* But a lot of new features and simplification

- \* More RDF
  - \* DMCC export all its knowledge
  - \* Implement routine updates
    - \* Cron-jobs

- \* Users and groups
  - \* Already authenticates against LDAP
  - \* Authorization
    - \* Define a policy for EDRN
      - \* Working groups, collaborative groups, etc.

\* Anything else?

